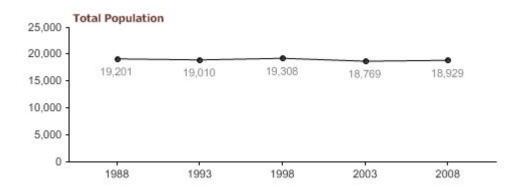
Perry County, IN Highlights

Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

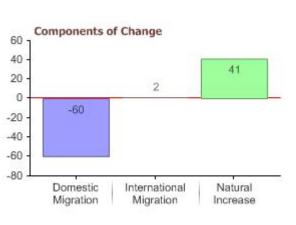
Population Over Time					
	1988	1993	1998	2003	2008
Total Population	19,201	19,010	19,308	18,769	18,929
Change Since 1988		-191	107	-432	-272
Pct. Change Since 1988		-1.0%	0.6%	-2.2%	-1.4%



Source: US Census Bureau

Components of Population Change 2007 to 2008





Source: US Census Bureau

Population	Estimates by A	ge in 2007
	Number	Dot Diet

	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool	1,098	5.8%
School Age	2,797	14.8%
College Age	1,744	9.2%

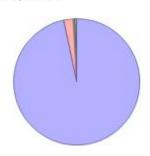
Young Adult	5,414	28.6%
Older Adult	5,073	26.8%
Older (65 plus)	2,790	14.7%

Source: US Census Bureau

Por	ulation	Estimates	bv	Race and	Hispanic	Origin in 2007

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	44	0.2%
Asian Alone	30	0.2%
Black Alone	454	2.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	3	0.0%
White Alone	18,286	96.5%
Two or More Race Groups	99	0.5%

Population by Race



96.51 %	White
2.40 %	Black
0.23 %	Am. Ind or Alaskan Native
0.16 %	Asian
0.02 %	Hawaiian and Pac. Isl
0.52 %	Two or More

Hispanic or Latino		
Non-Hispanic or Latino	18,706	98.7%
Hispanic or Latino	210	1.1%

Source: US Census Bureau

Households in 2000 Number Pct. Dist **Total Households** 7,270 | 100.0% Family Households 5,071 69.8% Married with Children 1,690 23.2% Married without Children 2,433 33.5% Single Parents 537 7.4% Other 5.7% 411 2,199 Non-family Households 30.2% Living Alone 1,944 26.7% Average Household Size 2.60

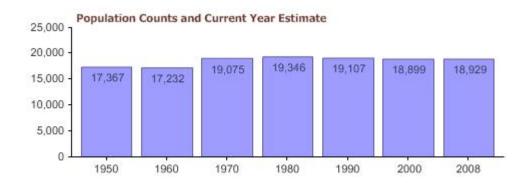
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Average Family Household Size

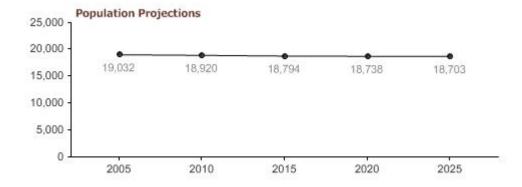
Population Counts by Decade and Current Year Estimate					
	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.		
1950	17,367	NA	NA		
1960	17,232	-135	-0.8%		
1970	19,075	1,843	10.7%		
1980	19,346	271	1.4%		
1990	19,107	-239	-1.2%		

April 2000	18,899	-208	-1.1%
2008	18,929	30	0.2%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Population Projections						
	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025	
Population Projections	19,032	18,920	18,794	18,738	18,703	
Change Since 2005		-112	-238	-294	-329	
Pct. Change Since 2005		-0.6%	-1.3%	-1.5%	-1.7%	



Source: Indiana Business Research Center